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CONTAINING 8-CHLORO-3(β-
DIETHYLAMINOETHYL)-4-METHYL-7-
ETHOXYCARBONYL-METHOXY COUMARIN
BASE AND THE SALTS THEREOF, WITH
CHOLESTEROL-LOWERING ACTIVITY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Before line 1, insert --This application is the national phase under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT International Application No. PCT/EP00/05383 which has an International filing date of June 13, 2000, which designated the United States of America and was published in English.--